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Applicants:

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DRUG SAMPLE FULFILLMENT ARCHITECTURE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114/ PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

August 28, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application, in which prosecution is closed.

1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows: An Amendment is enclosed herewith.

2. Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated March 20, 2006, set to expire on June 20, 2006, be extended by 3 months, to expire on September 20, 2006. An extension for 1 month was already secured on July 18, 2006, and the extension fee paid of \$120 is thus deducted from the total fee due for the 3 months of extension now requested. The extension fee due with this request is therefore \$900, which is included in our enclosed check.

3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated X below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

| COMPUTATION OF FEE | | | | | | | | |
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| | Amendment | Paid For | | Extra | | Rate | | Fee |
| Basic RCE Filing Fee | | - | = | | x | | = | 790 |
| Total Claims | 50 | - 50 | = | . 0 | x | 50 | = | 0 |
| Independent Claims | 7 | - 8 | = | 0 | X | 200 | = | 0 |
| 3-Month Extension of Time (balance due) + 900 | | | | | | | 900 | |
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- 4. Check No. 171953 in the amount of \$1690.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- 5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first-class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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